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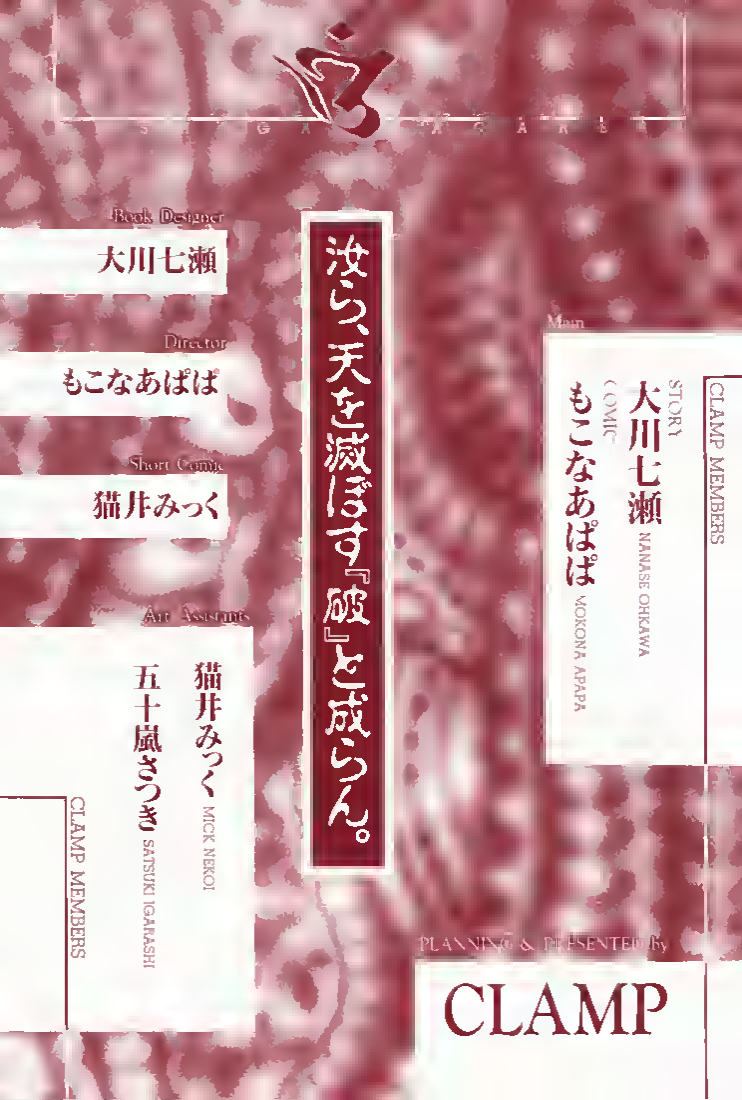
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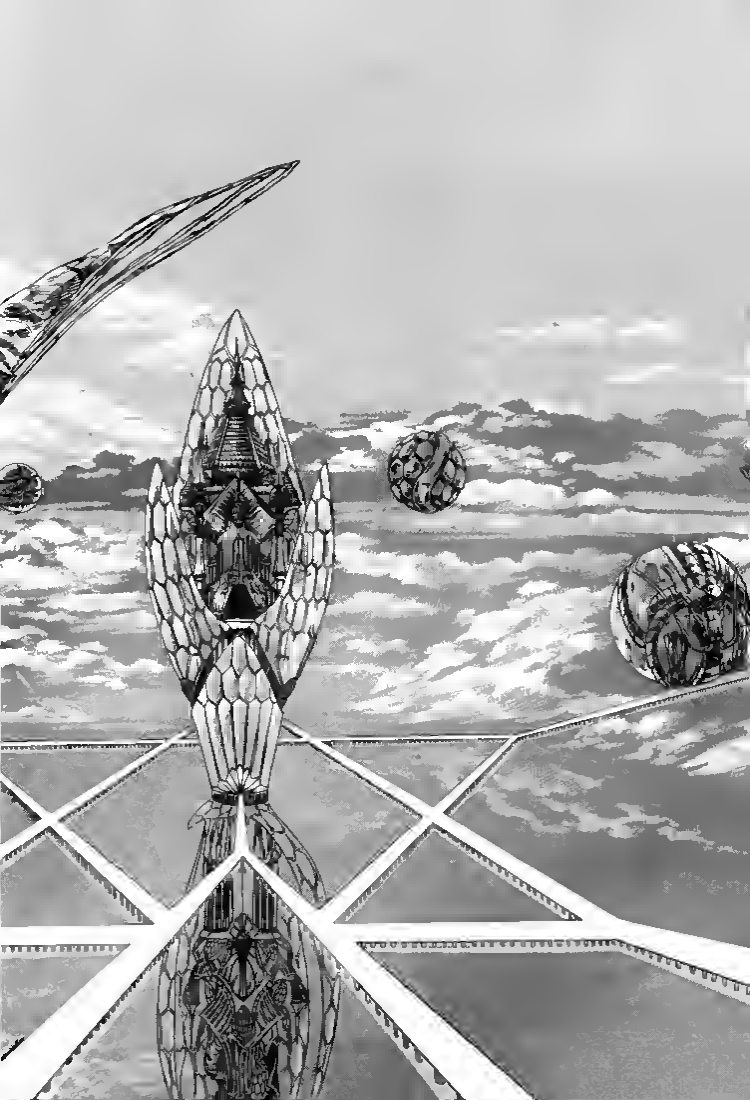

THE MEETING OF THE SIX STARS WAS MARKED IN HEAVEN. THE DARK STARS WILL GATHER AROUND ASHURA-OH'S CHILD AND THE REBEL YASHA.
THUS, ACCORDING TO THE PROPHECY, TENKI, RULED BY TAISHAKU-TEN, WILL BE DESTROYED.
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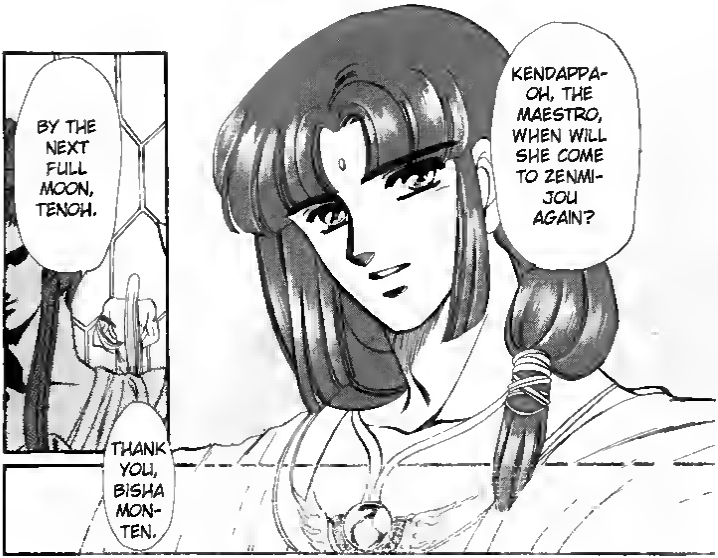
SIX STARS, NEVER HEARD OF THEM
BUT, YASHA-OH WAS THE SUBORDINATE OF BISHAMON-TEN. FOR THE REST OF US TO DO HIS DIRTY WORK INSTEAD, IT DOESN'T SEEM QUITE
IF HE COULDN'T EVEN DEAL WITH THE CHILD OF THE DESTROYED ASHURA CLAN AND THAT TRAITOR YASHA-OH, ISN'T BISHAMON-TEN A BIT TOO INEFFECTIVE?
ZOUCHOU-TEN, KOUMOKU-TEN, RESTRAIN YOURSELVES IN FRONT OF HIS MAJESTY.
NO MATTER, BISHAM-ONTEN.

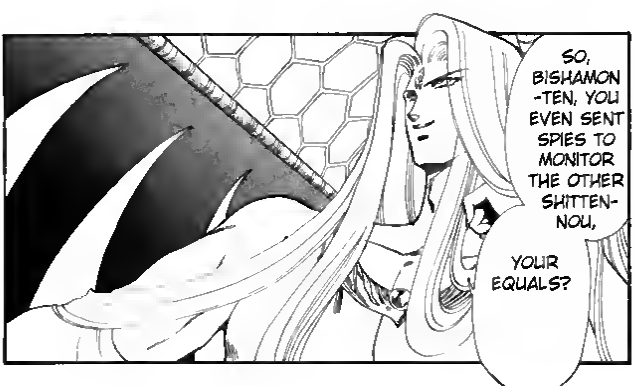
THEY WON'T ESCAPE ME SO EASILY.
EACH DAY THEY LIVE, THEIR PRESENCE IS AN AFFRONT TO ME.
ZOUCHOU -TEN,
KOUMOKU- TEN,
BISHAM- ONTEN,
BRING ME THE HEADS OF ASHURA AND YASHA.

WELL, THIS IS A RARE PLEASURE.
EVERYBODY'S HERE, NO WONDER IT'S SO MERRY.
SIRE.
I HAVE COME TO ASK AFTER TENTEI'S HEALTH.
AH, THE QUEEN SEEMS TO BE IN A GOOD MOOD TODAY.
HOW COULD I BE IN A GOOD MOOD?

NO MATTER WHAT, HE IS ONE OF THE TWINS YOU GAVE BIRTH TO.
DID YOU SAY THAT ASHURA IS STILL ALIVE? HOW HATEFUL.
THAT ACCURSED CHILD. EVEN THE THOUGHT OF HIM ANNOYS ME.
NONE CAN BETRAY TENTEI AND LIVE.
HOW CAN YOU HATE HIM SO?!
BUT DON'T WORRY. WITH THE SHITTEN-NOU, THEY WON'T ESCAPE.
THEN I SHALL DEPEND ON YOU.

WHO DOES SHE THINK SHE IS, THAT WOMAN
CARRYING HERSELF LIKE ROYALTY.
SHE WAS JUST THE WIFE OF KING ASHURA, AND A MERE HUMAN TOO.
AND SHE BETRAYED THE CLAN THAT MADE HER A GOD. THAT KIND OF WOMAN, WHO KNOWS WHEN SHE'LL TURN ON US.
EVEN WHILE SHE WAS PREGNANT WITH ASHURA-OH'S CHILD, SHE COMMITED ADULTERY WITH TAISHAKU-TEN.
EXACTLY. IT'S DOUBTFUL EVEN WHETHER TEN-OH IS REALLY TAISHAKU-TEN'S SON.
THEN WE'LL JUST QUIETLY AWAIT THE GOOD NEWS OF ASHURA'S DEATH.
LET'S GO, TEN-OH.
SIRE.


KENDAPPA-OH, THE MAESTRO, WHEN WILL SHE COME TO ZENMI-JOU AGAIN?
BY THE NEXT FULL MOON, TENOH.
THANK YOU, BISHA MON-TEN.

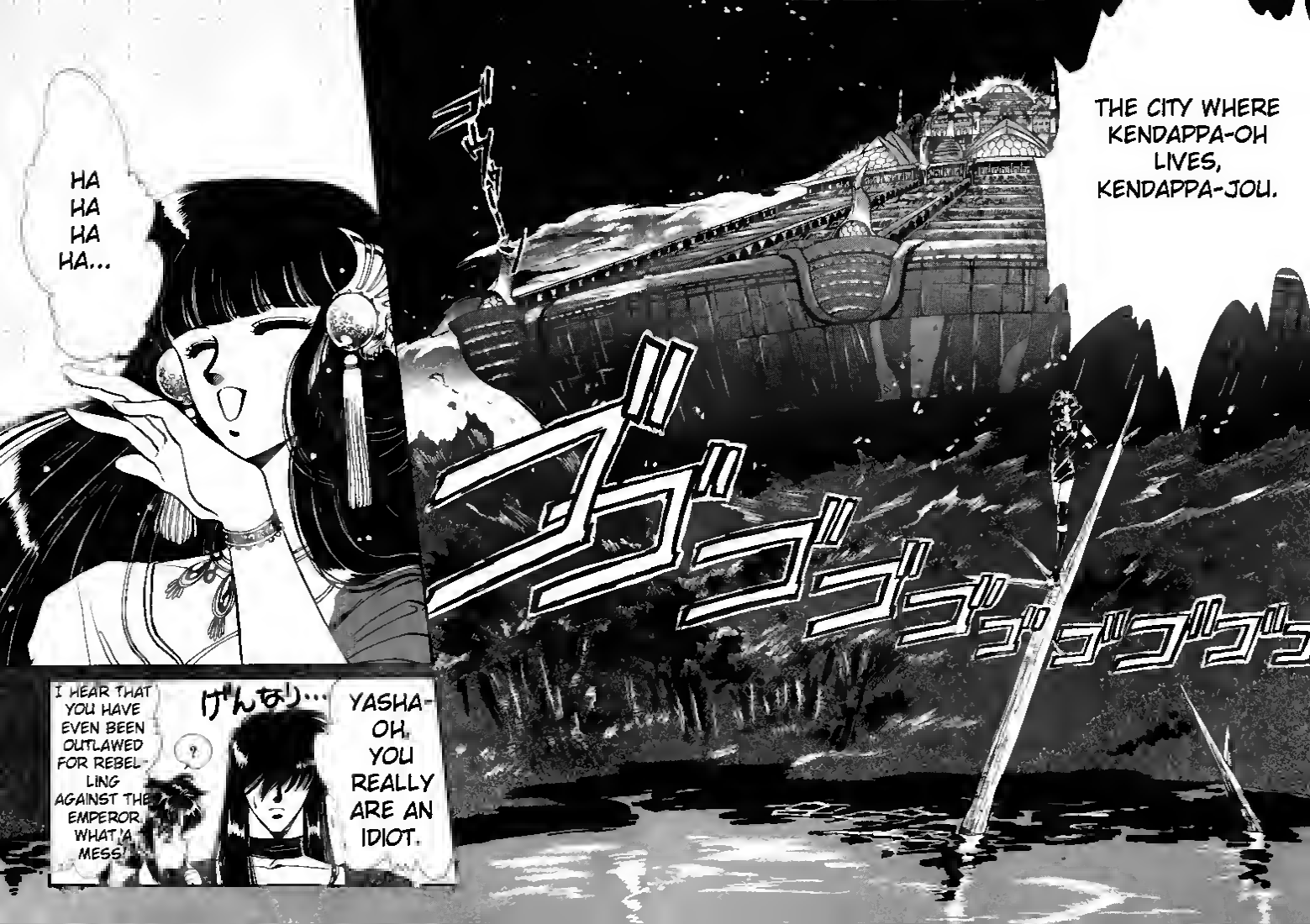

SO, BISHAMON-TEN, YOU EVEN SENT SPIES TO MONITOR THE OTHER SHITTEN-NOU,
YOUR EQUALS?

NATURALLY. AS THE LEADER OF SHITTENNOU, KEEPING ORDER IN TENTEI'S WORLD IS MY RESPONSIBILITY.
YOU ARE VERY THOROUGH.
FASTER, ASHURA.

THAT'S YASHA-OH. NO MISTAKING IT
WAIT, YOU DON'T NEED YAMATO TO DEAL WITH THOSE CREATURES.
THE SWORD IS GLOWING. IT'S THE MAGICAL SWORD, YAMATO.

SOUGEPPA!
I HAVE COME FOR YOU,
?
YASHA-OH.

WHO ARE YOU?
THAT IS...


HA HA HA HA...
THE CITY WHERE KENDAPPA-OH LIVES, KENDAPPA-JOU.
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I HEAR THAT YOU HAVE EVEN BEEN OUTLAWED FOR REBELLING AGAINST THE EMPEROR. WHAT A MESS!
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YASHA-OH, YOU REALLY ARE AN IDIOT.

KENDAPPA- OH, THEN WHY DID YOU INVITE TWO FUGITIVES INTO YOUR CITY?
OH, HOW CAN YOU ASK ME WHY?!
THAT IS TOO MUCH. WE'RE BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN HARDSHIP.
I DON'T RECALL HAVING A SISTER, ALTHOUGH I DID HAVE A BROTHER.
ASHA, WHAT'S A CONCU- BINE'S CHILD?
WHO'S THIS CHILD?
ANOTHER ONE YOU GOT ON SOME WOMAN?
HOW COULD YOU HAVE SUNK SO LOW?!
YASHA IS SO LECH- EROUS!
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A CONCUBINE'S CHILD IS JUST NO GOOD. HE BECOMES CORRUPTED SO EASILY!

NO MATTER WHAT, YOU SHOULDN'T TREAT HIM WITH THAT KIND OF ATTITUDE!
KEND-APPA-OH,
ARE YOU THINK-ING OF YOUR MOTHER AGAIN?
WELL, IT'S NOT AS THOUGH I INVITED HIM HERE TO HAVE FUN..
EVEN THOUGH MY MOTHER WAS A MARRIED WOMAN,
SHE FELL IN LOVE WITH YASHA AT FIRST SIGHT.
SHE DRENCHED HER FACE IN TEARS EVERYDAY UNTIL HER DEATH.
BACK THEN, ALTHOUGH I HATED HIM, I STILL KNEW IT WASN'T YASHA'S FAULT. YET...

YET, SOMETIMES I CAN'T HELP MYSELF.
BUT ..
IF SOHMA WANTS IT, I'LL CHANGE.
THAT'S GOOD.
KENDAMA-OH.

SLEEPING UNDER A ROOF, YASHA.
IS YOUR HEAD ALRIGHT ?
WE HAVEN'T DONE IT FOR SO LONG.
THAT KEND-APPA-OH, SHE'S REALLY STRONG.
THEN, GIGEI MUST BE REALLY STRONG
THAT'S THE FIRST TIME I HAVE EVER SEEN YASHA LOOK HARASSED.
BECAUSE SHE'S SO DETER-MINED.
NEXT TIME I MEET GIGEI, I MUST THANK HER.
I KNOW.
SINCE LEAVING YASHA VILLAGE, ASHURA HASN'T GONE TO SLEEP WITH THAT EXPRESSION ON HER FACE
WILL SHE REALLY CATCH UP WITH US? IF ONLY SHE COULD COME EARLIER.

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WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
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I HAVE COME TO WAKE YOU UP.
DID YOU THINK I INVITED YOU HERE TO PLAY WITH ME?
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NO.

KISSHO-TEN.
YASHA-OH, PLEASE COME THIS WAY.
YASHA-OH, IT HAS BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE WE LAST MET.
THERE ARE THINGS SHE NEEDS TO SAY TO YOU SHE IS SPEAKING FROM HER HEART
SHE SAID, THAT SHE WANTED TO MEET YOU NO MATTER WHAT.
YOU LOOK THINNER.
THE LIFE OF A FUGITIVE IS HARD. ASHURO-OH'S CHILD MUST HAVE GONE THROUGH A LOT. POOR CHILD.

I WONDER IF GIGEI CAN CATCH UP
THIS CITY IS MOVING SO FAST
HELP ME TIE MY HAIR.
YASHA, WHERE ARE YOU?
A WHILE AGO, A GIRL FROM A PERFORMING BAND WAS KILLED IN FRONT OF ME,
EVEN THOUGH I AM BISHAMON-TEN'S WIFE, WHEN FACED WITH THE BRUTALITIES OF TAISHAKTEN THERE IS NOTHING I CAN DO. IT'S TRULY FRUSTRATING.
GIGEI
AND I COULD DO NOTHING, NOT EVEN GIVE HER A DECENT BURIAL.

KISSHO-TEN, THAT IS TOO DANGEROUS.
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NO MATTER WHAT, PLEASE ALLOW ME TO DO MY SHARE IN HELPING YOU.
I WANT YOU TO LET SOHMA TRAVEL WITH YOU!
YOU HAVE SEEN HER SKILLS.
SHE IS THE SOHMA CLAN'S, PHYSICANS OF THE LATE EMPEROR, ONLY SURVIVOR.
JUST LIKE YOU. SHE TOO WANTS REVENGE FOR HER PEOPLE.

I KNEW THAT FROM THE BEGIN-NING.
YOU MIGHT DIE.
I BEG OF YOU, YASHA-OH.
SOHMA, YOU IDIOT
HAVE YOU EVER HEARD OF THE "LEGEND OF SOHMA"?

A MEMBER OF THE SOHMA CLAN NEEDS ONLY TO OFFER HIS BLOOD TO SOMEONE ONCE. THAT PERSON WILL LIVE FOREVER.
YES.
BECAUSE TAISHAKTEN FEARED THAT SOMEONE MIGHT DRINK A SOHMA'S BLOOD AND LIVE FOREVER, HE KILLED ALL OF MY CLAN.
I AM THE ONLY ONE LEFT, SAVED BY KENDAPPA-OH.
BECUASE KENDAPPA-OH IS TAISHAKU-TEN'S MAESTRO, IT'S DANGEROUS FOR ME TO BE BY HER SIDE. THEREFORE I AM STAYING WITH KISSHOTEN.
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HELP ME TIE MY HAIR
OH, KEND-APPA-OH.
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GOODY.

HEY, WHY DID YOU LOOK MAD, JUST NOW?
MY FAVORITE PERSON IS GOING AWAY AND WHAT'S MORE, SHE MIGHT NEVER COME BACK AGAIN. ALTHOUGH I KNOW SHE IS A FOOL, I STILL REALLY LIKE HER.
EVEN THOUGH I KNOW SHE'S VERY STUPID, I CAN'T HELP LIKING HER. SO I'M REALLY MAD AT MYSELF FOR BEING SUCH A FOOL.
SO I'M REALLY MAD AT MYSELF FOR BEING SUCH A FOOL.
UH, I STILL DON'T UNDERSTAND.
BUT KEND-APPA-OU IS SO STRONG.
SHE DIDN'T CRY AT ALL.

YASHA IS ALSO VERY STRONG, SO I GUESS IT'LL BE ALRIGHT. EVEN IF HE REMAINS WITH ASHURA, HE WON'T DIE.
IF I CAN NEVER SEE THE PERSON I LOVE MOST AGAIN, I'LL CRY FOR SURE
SOHMA MUST BE STRONG TOO!
OH, YEAH. CAN YOU MAKE THE CITY FLY A BIT SLOWER? IF YOU DON'T, GIGEI WON'T BE ABLE TO CATCH UP.
HUH?
WHAT ...
GIGEI ? ISN'T THAT THE DANCER WHO WAS KILLED BY TAISHA-KUTEN'S MEN IN KISS-HO-TEN'S PALACE ?

GIGEI
BAD THINGS WILL HAPPEN TO PEOPLE AROUND ASHURA. EVERYONE WILL DIE.
THAT'S NOT TRUE.
I'M ALWAYS HAPPY WITH ASHURA, I'M ALWAYS HAPPY WITH ASHURA
I REALLY LIKE ASHURA .
I LIKE ASHURA THE MOST.
GIGEI SHE SAID SHE'LL FOLLOW US!
YOU'RE LYING !

ASHURA?
ASHURA!?
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GIGE!

GIGE!
I HAVEN'T TOLD YOU, BUT I LIKE YOU A LOT TOO!
I HAVEN'T TOLD YOU YET.
GIGE!

OH NO. I DIDN'T THINK HE'D CRY.
IF SOHMA FINDS OUT ABOUT THIS I'LL PROBABLY GET SCOLDED AGAIN
WHO'S THERE?!
DON'T STAND THERE EAVSE-DROP-PING.

TALK! YOU DON'T WANT TO TALK?
I SEEM TO HAVE SAID SOMETHING STUPID
WHO SENT YOU?
I DON'T CARE WHO SENT YOU.
I'M NOT IN A GOOD MOOD RIGHT NOW.
I'LL JUST TAKE IT OUT ON YOU.

ASHURA, WHERE DID YOU GO?
DIDN'T I TELL YOU NOT TO WANDER ABOUT BY YOURSELF.
ARE YOU LISTENING, ASHURA?
EVEN WITHIN THIS CITY, THERE MAY BE SOME OF TAISHAKU-TEN'S SPIES
WHAT HAPPENED?

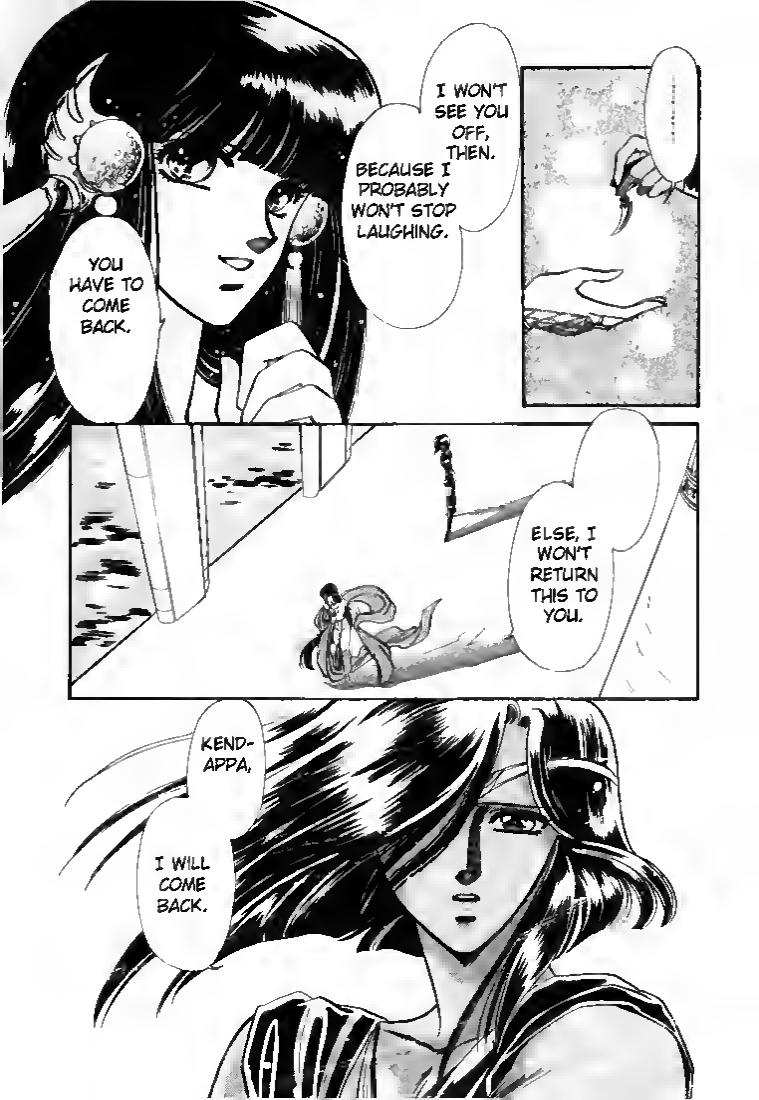
GIGEI,
SHE'S DEAD
DID YOU KNOW ?
YOU KNEW, DIDN'T YOU?

WHAT'S YOUR NAME?
COMING IN WITHOUT SO MUCH AS A "BY YOUR LEAVE".
THAT'S VERY RUDE.
I'M REALLY INTER-ESTED IN YOUR APPEAR-ANCE.
YOU LOOK LIKE YOU HAVE WIFE AND KIDS.
HEY, WHAT WERE YOU LOOKING FOR?
IF YOU DON'T TALK FAST, YOU'RE GOING TO DIE.

OOPS
UMMMMM ....
HE DIED SO FAST. WHAT A GOOD FOR NOTHING.
WHEN YOU HAVE HIM BY THE NECK LIKE THAT, EVEN IF HE WANTED TO TALK, HE WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN ABLE TO OPEN HIS MOUTH, KEND-APPA-OH.
THAT'S THE CREST OF BISHAM-ONTEN.

YOU'RE A MUSICIAN.
KEND-APPA-OH! LEAVE THAT KIND OF BUSINESS TO ME.
SOHMA!
THAT KIND OF BLOODY BUSINESS, IT'S NOT SUITABLE FOR YOU.
IF YOU LEAVE WITH YASHA-OH, YOU MIGHT END UP JUST LIKE THIS MAN TOMORROW, SOHMA.

THE EMPEROR'S SNOOPERS HAVE ALREADY TRACKED THEM HERE. DO YOU STILL WANT TO GO?
IT'S NOT THAT. BUT..
YOU DON'T TRUST MY SKILLS?
EVEN THOUGH I CAN'T TELL YOU NOT TO GO, AND I DON'T HAVE THE RIGHT TO EITHER,
I STILL HOPE YOU'LL PROMISE ME NOT TO DIE SOME-WHERE I DON'T KNOW.
I WILL COMPLETE MY MISSION, AND RETURN TO YOUR SIDE.
AND RETURN IT TO ME WHEN I COME BACK.
THEN, PLEASE KEEP THIS SAFE FOR ME.


I WON'T SEE YOU OFF, THEN.
BECAUSE I PROBABLY WON'T STOP LAUGHING.
YOU HAVE TO COME BACK.
ELSE, I WON'T RETURN THIS TO YOU.
KEND-APPA,
I WILL COME BACK.

IT'S BECAUSE GIGEI WAS WITH ASHURA,
THAT ...
EVERYONE WILL DIE IF THEY ARE WITH ASHURA.
EVERYONE WILL DIE IF THEY ARE WITH ASHURA.
YASHA TOO. IF HE STAYS WITH ASHURA, MAYBE ONE DAY HE'LL DIE TOO, BECAUSE HE IS WITH ME.
YES. SURELY YASHA WILL DIE TOO.

THEN, TENKAI WILL CHANGE TOO!
THEN, YOU AND THE PEOPLE AROUND YOU WILL NOT DIE ANYMORE.

DO I LOOK SO FRAGILE?
WOULD I BE CALLED THE STRONGEST WARLORD IN TENKAI IF I WAS ?

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DO YOU THINK I'M SUCH A WEAKLING?
THEN WE'LL GO AND OVERTHROW TAISHAKU-TEN TOGETHER

COME WITH ME. LET'S GO TOGETHER!

KUJAKU, IT'S YOU.
THANKS FOR THE LAST TIME.
YOU'RE REALLY LIKE A FAMILY.
HOW CAN YOU BE HERE?
THIS CITY SHOULD HAVE A KEKKAI.
MY PHISIOLOGY IS TRULY EXTRAORDI-NARY. KEKKAI IS USELESS AGAINT ME.
IS ASHURA ASLEEP?

WHAT A LET DOWN. I CAME TO PLAY WITH HIM, BUT,
THE WAY HE IS NOW, HE WON'T EVEN MAKE A SOUND IF I PINCH HIM.
THAT'S NOT A PROBLEM . .
HA, PAPA'S ANGRY.
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE? WHY DO YOU BOTHER US?
BECAUSE I THINK ASHURA IS SO VERY CUTE.
FOR HIM, I WANT TO GIVE YOU A BIT OF ADVICE.
IN THIS TOWN, THERE ARE OTHER INTRUDERS AS WELL. A SPY OF THE EMPER-OR'S PET.
BISHAMONT-EN'S MAN!
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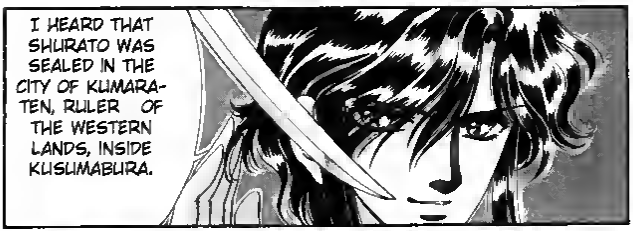
AND ANOTHER PIECE OF ADVICE.
IN ORDER TO FIND THE SIX STARS,
YOU MUST FIND SHURATO FIRST.
SHURATO.

SINCE CREATION, ONLY THE GUARDIAN GOD OF WAR, KING OF ASHURA CLAN, COULD INHERIT THE FABLED SWORD.
WIELDING THE FLAME OF THIS SWORD, HE COULD REDUCE ALL DEMONS AND MONSTERS TO ASHES
NONE BUT SHURATO CAN PRESERVE THE PEACE IN TENKAI.

WHAT IS YOUR PURPOSE?
HOW DO YOU KNOW THAT?
WHEN ASHURA FINDS SHURATO, YOU CAN SEARCH OUT THE SIX STARS FOLLOWING THE RESONANCE OF SHURATO.
I'M VERY GRATEFUL FOR YOUR ADVICE, BUT YOU'RE NEITHER AN ENEMY, NOR ONE OF THE SIX STARS
I DON'T LIKE SOME SUSPICIOUS PERSON FOLLOWING US ABOUT.
DON'T LOOK LIKE YOU'RE GOING TO EAT ME! I'M DEFINITLY NOT FROM THE EMPEROR'S ARMY.
WHO ARE YOU? ARE YOU ONE OF THE SIX STARS?
WRONG GUESS!


I HEARD THAT SHURATO WAS SEALED IN THE CITY OF KUMARA-TEN, RULER OF THE WESTERN LANDS, INSIDE KUSUMABURA.

IN RETURN FOR YOUR ADVICE,
I WON'T TELL KEND-APPA-OH ABOUT YOUR TRESPASS-ING IN THE CITY.

WHAT GOOD IS IT TO YOU IF WE FIND SHURATO AND THE SIX STARS?
I JUST GET A KICK OUT OF IT. DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT. GOOD LUCK, YASHA-OH.

YOU REALLY KNOW HOW TO THANK PEOPLE, DON'T YOU?

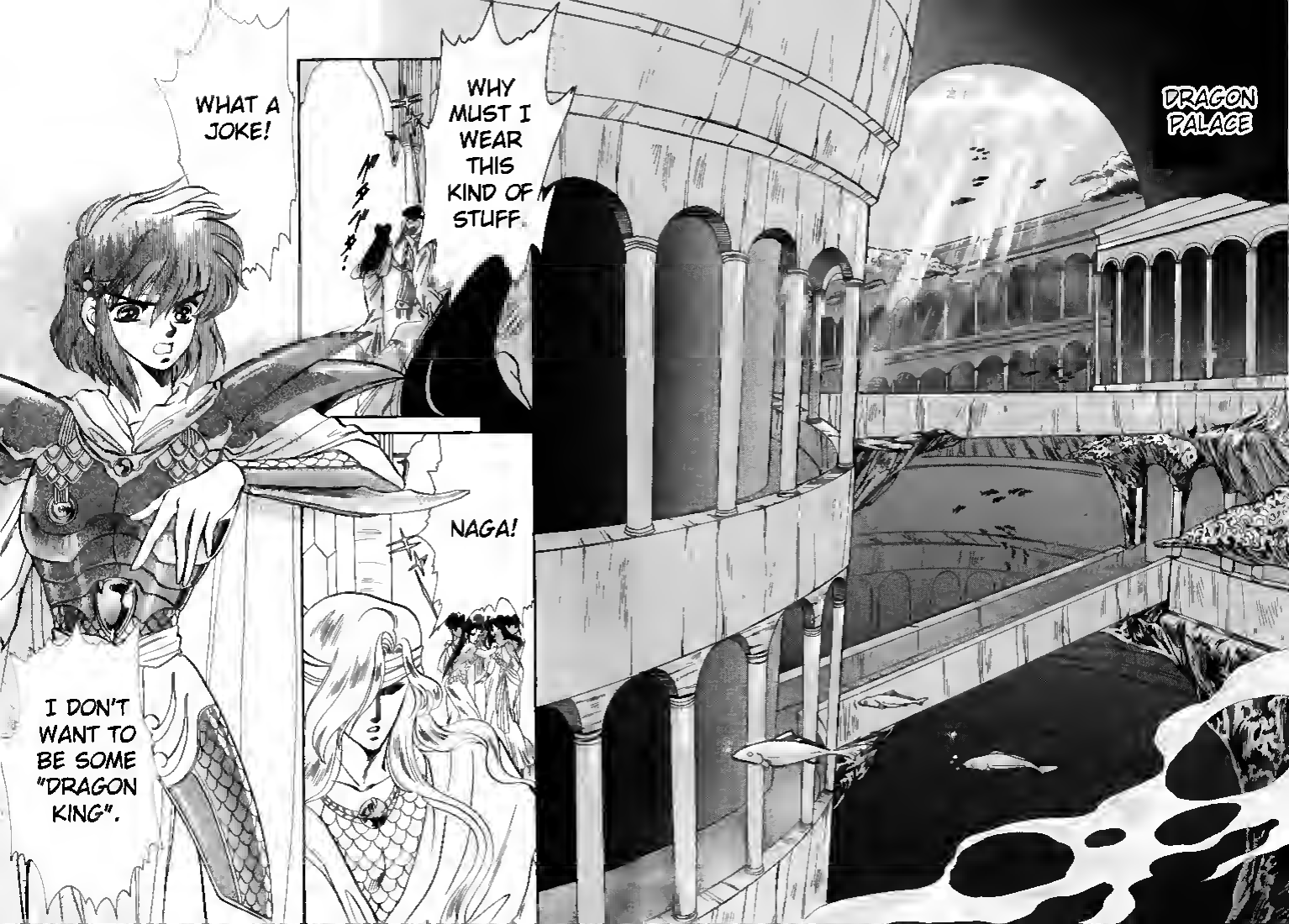
SOHMA, YOU LEFT WITHOUT SAYING ANYTHING TO KENDAPPA-OU IS IT REALLY ALL RIGHT?
PLEASE DON'T WORRY.
I'LL WATCH THE AREA FOR TAISHAKUTEN'S TROOPS.
I HAVE ORDERS TO PROTECT YOU SECRETLY.
GOOD BYE FOR NOW.

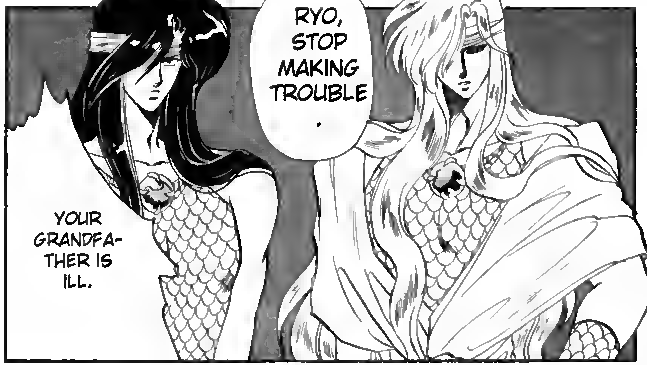
YASHA.
THAT... THAT SOUND OF THE HARP

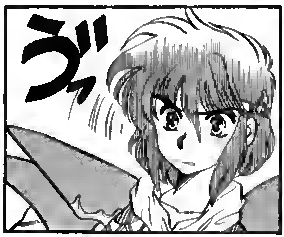
ARE YOU AWAKE, ASHURA?
YASHA, I HEARD MUSIC.
SAD MUSIC...
KENDAPPA-OU'S FAVORITE PERSON...
IF ONLY NO ONE WOULD DIE, IT WOULD BE SO WONDER-FUL.

THE PEOPLE I LIKE MOST.. GIGEI AND PEOPLE OF YASHA CLAN
I DON'T WANT TO SEE PEOPLE AROUND ME EITHER KILLED OR HURT
IF ASHURA WAS VERY STRONG, AND ABLE TO BEAT TAISHAKUTEN, PERHAPS GIGEI WOULDN'T HAVE DIED
I MUST BECOME STRONGER, TO PROTECT THE PEOPLE I LOVE.

I MUST BECOME STRONG.
ASHURA WILL BECOME STRONG.
TO PROTECT THE PEOPLE AROUND ME
I'LL BECOME STRONG
I DON'T WANT TO LOSE... SOMEONE LIKE GIGEI AGAIN


DRAGON PALACE
WHY MUST I WEAR THIS KIND OF STUFF.
WHAT A JOKE!
NAGA!
I DON'T WANT TO BE SOME "DRAGON KING".


RYO, STOP MAKING TROUBLE.
YOUR GRANDFATHER IS ILL.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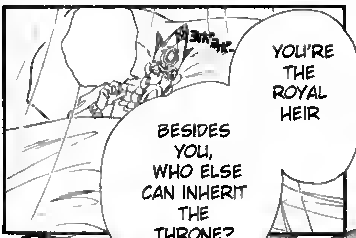
YOU'RE THE ROYAL HEIR
BESIDES YOU, WHO ELSE CAN INHERIT THE THRONE?

THERE'S NO SUCH THING! JUST LET WHOEVER WANTS IT TAKE IT. WHAT'S ALL THE FUSS ABOUT?

NO MATTER HOW YOU TALK, THE CORONATION IS IN TEN DAYS
YOU CAN'T TALK THAT WAY.
STILL-- NO.
HE STILL WON'T TAKE THRONE NO MATTER WHAT?
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NON-SENSE. STOP IT.
I HATE IT! IF I SAY I DON'T WANT IT, I MEAN I DON'T WANT IT!

NAGA!
LET MO DO WHAT I WANT.
THIS STUFF, I DON'T WANT IT.

I UNDER-STAND.
HYAKU RYUU.
YOUR HIGH-NESS!
NAGA!
WHY DON'T YOU TRY TO TALK NAGA AROUND?
?
SEIRYUU.
NAGA?
BROTHER AND NAGA ARE BOTH STUB-BORN PEOPLE. THIS IS GOING TO BE INTER-ESTING TO WATCH.
I CAN'T STAND IT.

NEITHER OF YOU PRACTISE FIGHTING WITH ME ANYMORE.
RECEN TLY,
NA..
WHAT?
IT'S BECAUSE I'M THE HEIR OF RYO-OU.
THAT'S WHY YOU WON'T FIGHT WITH ME ANYMORE, RIGHT?
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I'M GOING TO LAUGH UNTIL I DIE)
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
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OF COURSE NOT !
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NAGA,
THE REASON WE DON'T FIGHT WITH YOU ANYMORE IS,
YOU HAVE BECOME STRONG, STRONG ENOUGH TO BECOME THE LEADER OF THE CLAN THAT GUARDS THE STRATEGIC WESTERN FRONTIER OF TENKI-- TO BECOME THE LEADER OF THE RYO CLAN. WE'RE NOT YOUR OPPONENTS ANYMORE.

HM , IS THAT TRUE?
NOW DO YOU UNDER-STAND?
HURRY AND APOLOGIZE TO HYAKURYUU .
SEI RYU U...
HYAKURYUU AND I BOTH REALLY WISH THAT YOU WILL BECOME RYO-OU!

I HATE THIS.
SO YOUNG, AND MY FUTURE IS DECIDED ALREADY.
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HUH ?
INTRUDERS ON..
WHAT.. THE EASTERN KEKKAI.
ISN'T THAT... THE FAMED YASHA-OU?
I KNOW ...
WHAT IS HE DOING HERE

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GREAT
HURRAY, HURRAY
MAYBE, I CAN FIGHT WITH THE STRONGEST WARLORD IN TENKAI -- YASHA-OU.

YASHA, THE WATER IS SO CLEAR AT THIS PLACE, AND THERE ARE ♡ SO MANY FISH.
THAT'S BECAUSE THIS IS THE WATER WORLD, PROTECTED BY THE RYO CLAN ON TENKAI'S WESTERN BORDER
IT HAS THE MOST ABUNDANT WATER WATER RESOURCES AMONG ALL OF TENKAI
OH ....

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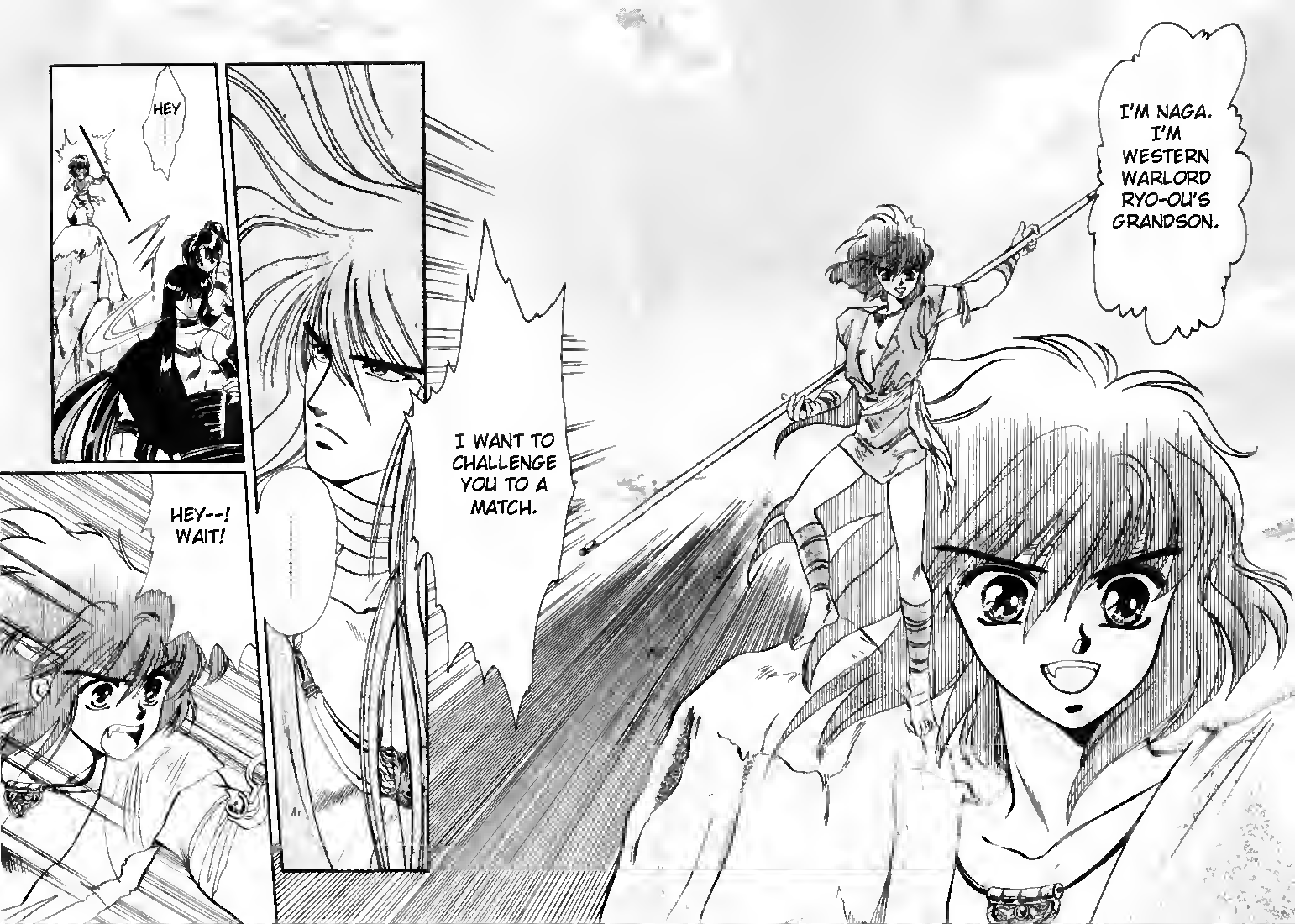
YOU'RE BISHAMON-TEN'S SUBORDINATE,
YASHA-OU, RIGHT?


HEY
HEY--! WAIT!
I WANT TO CHALLENGE YOU TO A MATCH.
I'M NAGA. I'M WESTERN WARLORD RYO-OU'S GRANDSON.

I GAVE YOU MY NAME,
BUT YOU JUST LEFT.
JUST LIKE THE STORIES. ARRO-GANT BASTARD.

YOU..., WHO ARE YOU?
YASHA, IS THAT YOUR SON?

NOT!
THEN WHY WOULD YASHA-OU, WHO CAN DEFEAT ANYONE IN THIS WORLD,
CARRY YOU ON HIS SHOULDER?
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AH, WAIT.
DIDN'T YOU HEAR ME?
I WANT TO FIGHT WITH YOU.
THE STRONGEST WARLORD IN TENKAI
YASHA-OU.

COME ON!
TAKE THAT FIRST!

WAH
YASHA-OU... HE'S REALLY SOME-THING
NOW TAKE THIS!

HA!
CATCH THIS!
HOW ABOUT THIS!!
GO, SEA DRAGON.
NOW TAKE MY KAI-OU JIN!

WAH !
INCREDI-BLE! HE'S STILL STRONGER.
ASHU-RA'S HUNGRY

LIKE TO HAVE SOME TO?
WOULD YOU

HEY, EAT SOME VEGGIES, TOO!
I FINALLY GET TO FIGHT YASHA-OU, AND YOU HAVE TO SPOIL IT.
WHAT'S MORE, YOU'RE EVEN CALLED ASHURA.
PEOPLE OF THE ASHURA CLAN, ALL OF THEM HAVE ELEGANT FEATURES, SLENDER FIGURES, AND KEEN MINDS. HOW COULD THEY HAVE AN UGLY LITTLE CHANGELING LIKE YOU?
"YOU DON'T LOOK AT ALL PRESENTABLE"
IT LOOKS LIKE "UPBRINGING IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN BLOOD"
MOREOVER, THEY WERE ALL DESTROYED A LONG TIME AGO
HOW OLD ARE YOU?
THIS OLD
THREE?
THREE HUNDRED.
YOU'RE LYING
STILL, WHEN ASHURA-OU RULED OVER THE FOUR LORDS OF HEAVEN EVERYTHING WAS MUCH BETTER.
THE FOUR LORDS WEREN'T AS UNBRIDLED AS THEY ARE NOW. BACK THEN, THEY COULD WORK TOGETHER TO PROTECT TENKAI.

IF I BECOME RYO-OU, I'LL BE UNDER KOUMOKU-TEN, AND I'LL HAVE TO FIGHT FOR HIM.
BUT, I DON'T THINK THE KIND OF PERSON KOUMOKU-TEN IS DESERVES TO HAVE OUR WHOLE CLAN RISK OUR LIVES FOR HIM.
YOU'LL BECOME RYO-OU?
MY GRAND-FATHER IS SICK HE PROBABLY WON'T LIVE FOR VERY LONG
EVEN THOUGH I DON'T WANT TO, I..
NAGA,
ARE YOU REALLY STRONG ?
I GUESS SO
THAT'S WHY SEIRYUU AND HYAKURYU U WON'T FIGHT WITH ME ANYMORE
THEN IT'S ALL RIGHT.
WHAT ?
?

IF YOU'RE STRONG, YOU WON'T DIE BECAUSE OF ME.
SURELY YOU'LL BE ALRIGHT.
LET'S GO, ASHURA.
HEY, YASHA-OU, WHAT ABOUT OUR FIGHT?
WE HAVE TO GET GOING.
THEN I'LL COME TOO.
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING! YOU'RE THE HEIR OF RYO-OU.

IF I SAY I'M GOING TO COME,
THEN I'M GOING TO COME.
I WON'T GIVE UP UNTIL ONE OF US WINS!
WE'RE FUGITIVES WANTED BY TENTAI'S ARMY. YOU'D BEST NOT HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH US.
OUR PURPOSE IS TO DEFEAT TAISHAKUTEN!
YASHA, LET HIM COME WITH US.
LET HIM COME.
THAT SOUNDS LIKE FUN.
LET ME IN ON IT TOO!

IF IT'S DECIDED,
GREAT!
THEN WE SHOULD HURRY.
YOU SELDOM ASK ME TO LET ANYONE COME ALONG.
TO FIGHT TAISHA-KUTEN, I NEED WEAPONS.
I'LL HAVE GO GET THEM.
BESIDES, THERE'S SOMETHING I HAVE TO DO. WAIT FOR ME.
SEIRYUU, HYAKURYUU.

I WANT TO BE RYO-OU.
NAGA.
WHERE DID YOU RUN OFF TO?
WE WERE LOOKING FOR YOU.
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I HAVE DECIDED TO BE RYO-OU!
AREN'T YOU HAPPY AT ALL?
WHA... WHAT
TOO HAPPY!
WHY DIDN'T YOU SAY SO EARLIER?
HURRY AND PREPARE FOR THE CERE-MONY.

IN THE LOWEST LEVEL OF DRAGON PALACE,
JUST DRAW THE SWORD FROM THE BOTTOM OF THE SPRING, RIGHT?
IF I'M REALLY NOT SUITED TO INHERIT THE THRONE, THEN NO MATTER HOW HARD I TRY, I WON'T BE ABLE TO MOVE IT, RIGHT?
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THIS IS REALLY DEEP
THE OBJECT THAT SEALS EVERYTHING IN THE WATER WORLD IT WAS SAID TO BE THE LOCK ON THE GATE AT THE BOTTOM OF THE SPRING --- RYUUGA-TOU!
THE INHERITANCE CEREMONY OF THE RYO CLAN IS TO WITHDRAW THE SWORD TO RESEAL THE GATE.
GOT IT!

THAT'S THE GATE!?
RYUU GA-TOU,
TEST OF RYO-OU
IF I CAN DRAW THE SWORD, I MUST BE RYO-OU, KING OF THE WATER WORLD

IS NAGA STRONG ?
WE'RE GOING TO DEFEAT TAISHA-KUTEN
YOU WILL BECOME A GREAT RYO-OU
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BECOME STRONGER AND STRONGER
I WILL BECOME STRONG

I PULLED IT OUT!
THIS IS RYUU GA-TOU.
NOW I CAN REALLY HAVE A GOOD FIGHT WITH YOU, YASHA-OU!

NAGA ?!
BROTHER.
I WON'T LET YOU ESCAPE, NAGA!
WHERE ARE YOU GOING, NAGA?
HYA KUR YUU !

THERE ARE STILL MANY PEOPLE IN TENKI WHO ARE STRONGER THAN ME.
THEREFORE, I WANT TO BECOME STRONGER.
WHEN I BECOME STRONG ENOUGH TO CARRY THE WEIGHT OF THE DRAGON THRONE ON MY SHOULDERS, I SHALL COME BACK
UNTIL THEN, I SHALL DEPEND ON YOU TO TAKE CARE OF GRANDPA!
NAGA,
AS LONG AS YOU CARRY THE KING OF RYO CLAN.
YOU'RE RYUUGA-TOU,
OBEDIENCE TO THE KING HAS ALWAYS BEEN THE LAW OF OUR CLAN.
HYAKU RYUU.

WHAT ARE YOU DOING!?
PLEASE GO, AND DON'T WORRY.
I WISH YOU A GOOD JOURNEY, MY KING.
AH,
NAGA!!
LET'S WAIT A BIT MORE, YASHA

RYO-OU
I JUST BECAME
RYO-OU.
THEN I'LL CALL YOU RYO-KUN!
RYO-OU, GO BACK TO THE PALACE!
IF PEOPLE KNOW YOU HAVE ANY-THING TO DO WITH US,
THE RYO CLAN MIGHT GET A TREA-SONOUS NAME TOO.
RYO-KUN,
NO!
I'M HUNG RY!

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WHAT TREASON !
STOPPING JOKING WITH ME. I JUST WANT TO SHARPEN MY SKILLS AND GET SOME PRACTISE
THE PRICE OF TREASON IS THE DESTRUCTION OF THE ENTIRE CLAN.
AS THEIR KING, DO YOU WANT TO SEE YOUR CLAN WALK THE ROAD OF EXTINCTION?
PLEASE TURN BACK RYO-OU.
YASHA, LET HIM COME WITH US.
I WANT TO COME WITH YOU. IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THE RYO CLAN. DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT.
IT'S UP TO YOU.
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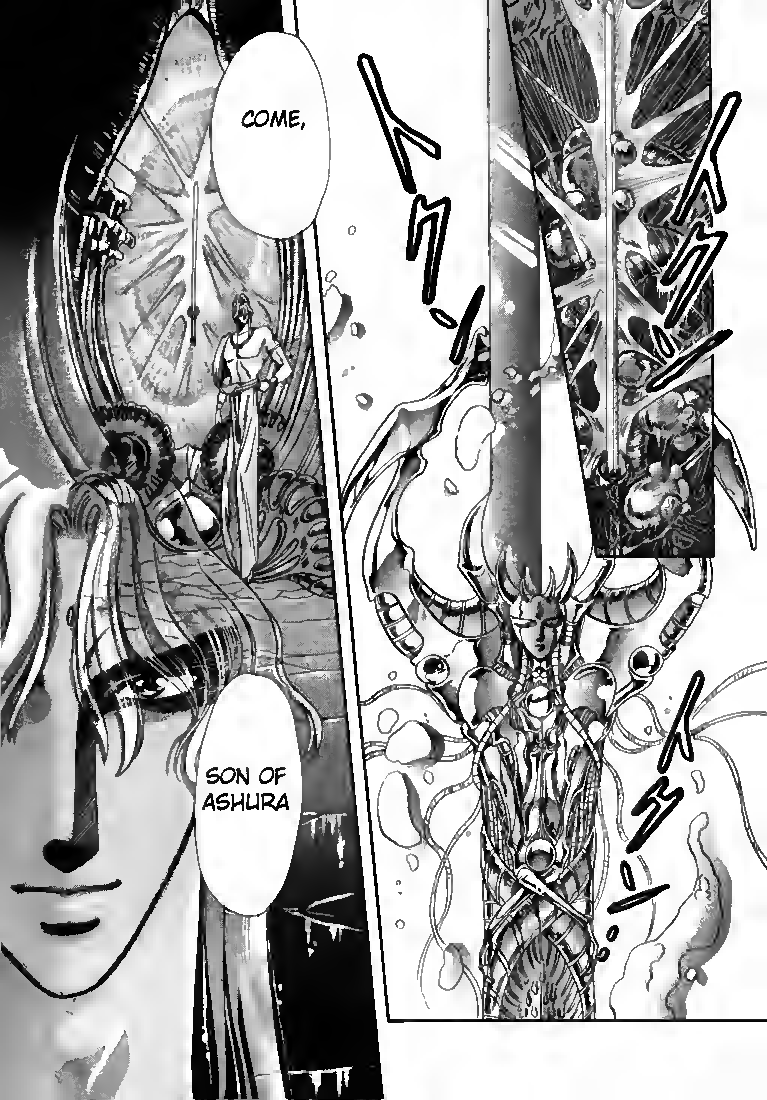
TO FIND THE SIX STARS, YOU MUST FIND SHURATO FIRST
SHURATO WAS SEALED IN THE WESTERN UNDERGROUND CITY -- KUSUMABURA.

KUJAKU,
I DON'T REALLY BELIEVE WHAT YOU SAY, BUT
EVEN IF IT'S AT THE EDGE OF THE WORLD, I MUST FIND PROOF OF ASHURA'S CLAIM TO THE THRONE -- SHURATO.


COME,
SON OF ASHURA

KUSUMA-BURA WILL BE YOUR TOMB.
TO DEFEAT TAISHAKUTEN AND MAKE OUR CLAN PROSPER AGAIN, I MUST OBTAIN SHURATO. THEREFORE, I MUST HAVE YOUR LIFE.

I HAVE BUSINESS AT KUSUMABURA.
WHERE ARE YOU GOING, YASHA?
IF IT'S TO DEFEAT TAISHAKUTEN, IT'S IN THE OPPOSITE DIRECTION. WHY ARE YOU GOING INTO THE FOREST
HUH?! THAT'S THE PLACE WHERE EVEN BIRDS WONT STOP.
RYO-KUN, I'M HUNGRY.
DIDN'T YOU JUST EAT?

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IS THAT SOHMA ?
YOU NOTICED, YASHA-OU.
WHO IS IT?
MY NAME IS SOHMA, RYO-OU.

I'M HERE TO HELP YASHA
I'M UNDER ORDERS TO PROTECT PRINCE ASHURA
NATURALLY I KNEW ABOUT YOU.
? ?
AS SOON AS THE CEREMONY FINISHED, I RAN AWAY. NO ONE SAW ME. HOW DID YOU KNOW?
HOW DID YOU KNOW I HAVE BECOME RYO-OU?
IT'S GETTING MERRIER BY THE MINUTE.
ARE TOO. EVERYTIME YOU OPEN YOUR MOUTH, IT'S ALWAYS, "I'M HUNGRY" IF YOU'RE NOT A PIG, THEN WHAT ARE YOU?
I'M NOT A PIG
THIS LITTLE PIGGY, HE'S NOTHING LIKE A PRINCE.

I TOLD YOU TO GO BACK, BUT YOU JUST WOULDN'T LISTEN.
THE ONLY THING THAT'LL COME FROM BETRAYING TAISHAKUTEN IS DEATH. RYO-OU, IF YOU STAY WITH US, UNDESERVED SUSPICION WILL FALL ON THE RYO CLAN.
WHAT IS IT?
NOT A BIT LIKE THE YASHA-OU OF LEGEND, THE DEMON LORD, WHOSE MERE NAME CAN MAKE THE DEMON-LINGS AND EVIL SPIRITS QUAKE WITH FEAR.
YOU'RE REALLY THOUGHTFUL.
DIDN'T KNOW HOW TO REPLY,
SOHMA, DO YOU KNOW ABOUT KUSUMA-BURA ON THE WESTERN BORDER?
SO I CHANGED THE TOPIC

THAT'S THE UNDER-GROUND CITY OF KING KUMARA
IN THE PAST, UNDER HIS REIGN,
KUSUMABURA WAS THE CITY OF FLOWERS, RICH IN RESOURCES, AND HOME TO MILLIONS.
THE EVER-SPRING UNDER-GROUND CITY WAS ALSO DESTROY ED
IN THE HOLY WAR THREE HUNDRED YEARS AGO.
I HEARD THAT THE CITY IS NOW IN RUINS, BURIED IN A SEA OF FOREST.
SHURATO IS IN KUSUMA-BURA
SHURATO ? WHO DID YOU HEAR THAT FROM?

KUJAKU.
KUJAKU ?
CAN WE BELIEVE ANY-THING HE SAYS?
HOWEVER, SHURATO IS THE KEY TO DEFEATING TAISHA-KUTEN AND FINDING THE SIX STARS.
BESIDES, THERE'S NO OTHER CLUE. WE'LL JUST HAVE TO GIVE IT A TRY.
YAISHA, RYO-KUN'S PICKING ON ME AGAIN.
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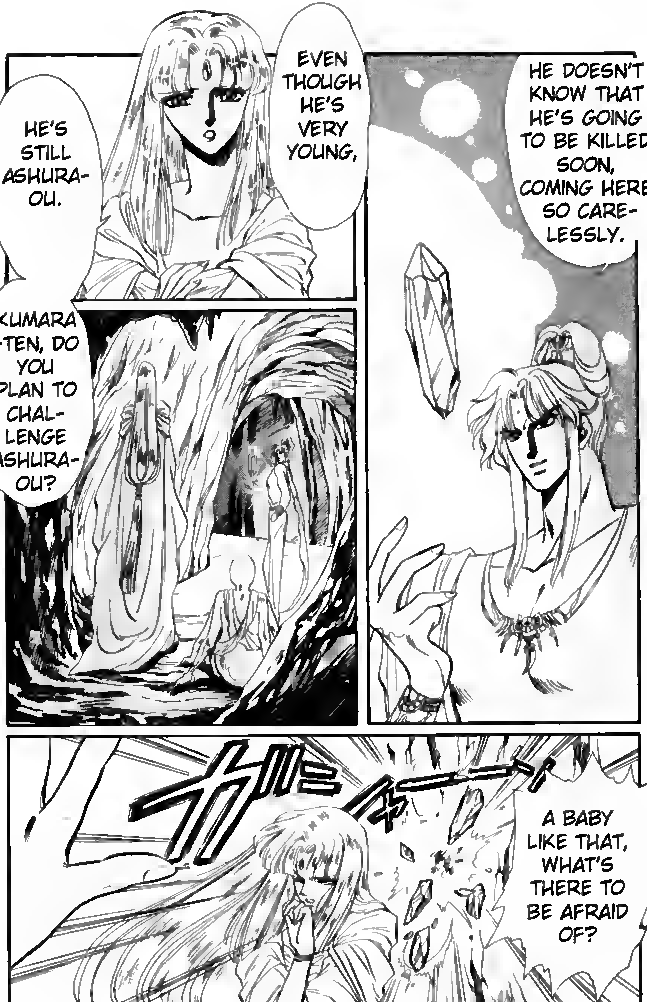
I DON'T KNOW EITHER
I SEE.
IN THE GRANITE HILLS OVER THERE SHOULD BE AN ENTRANCE
TO KUSU MA-BUIRA.
I'LL STAND GUARD OUTSIDE.

THEN I'LL TAKE MY LEAVE
PRINCE ASHURA, RYO-OU,
TAKE CARE.
LOOK, IT'S THE BANNER OF TAISHA-KUTEN'S ARMY.
TO SHOW THIS PLACE HAS BEEN CON-QUERED ALREADY.

LET'S GO DOWN.
WAIT FOR ME.
YOU HAVE FINALLY COME.
SON OF ASHURA.
HOW ABOUT IT KARA?
ARE YOU HAPPY TO SEE THE CHILD OF YOUR MASTER?


EVEN THOUGH HE'S VERY YOUNG,
HE'S STILL ASHURA-OU.
KUMARA-TEN, DO YOU PLAN TO CHALLENGE ASHURA-OU?
HE DOESN'T KNOW THAT HE'S GOING TO BE KILLED SOON, COMING HERE SO CARELESSLY.
A BABY LIKE THAT, WHAT'S THERE TO BE AFRAID OF?

ELDER, LET'S GO.
WHERE ARE WE GOING, YOUNG MASTER ?
HE MAY BE YOUNG, BUT AFTER ALL HE'S THE KING OF ASHURA CLAN.
WE MUST WELCOME HIM WITH CERE-MONY.
YES, MY LORD
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A CITY IN RUINS.
THIS PLACE IS
FLOWER CITY KUSUM-ABURA?
SO COLD AND LONELY.
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YASHA-OU WHAT DID YOU WANT TO FIND?
THERE'S NO ONE HERE.
THE SWORD SHOULD BE
IN THE LOWEST LEVEL OF THE CITY.

SHURATO
KUJAKU SAID THAT SHURATO IS IN THE LOWEST LEVEL OF THE UNDER-GROUND CITY, KUSUMABURA.
THEREFORE, BESIDES HERE, THERE'S NO OTHER PLACE.
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WOW,
IS IT REALLY HERE?
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カラ…

WHA... WHAT?
THE FLOOR..
WHY AM I SINKING?
YA...

YASHA!
ASHURA !?
WHAT'S WRONG ?
ASHURA!
AHHH!
YASHA!!

WHAT'S HAPPENING?!
I'M COMING!
YASHA
GO!

YASHA
ASHURA

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ASHURA
!
WAS IT TAISHA-KUTEN'S MEN?

I WAS TOO CARELESS
YASHA, YOU'RE BLEEDING.
THIS IS NOT THE LOWEST LEVEL.
COULD KUSUMABURA ALSO BE THERE UNDER THE RUINS?

CALL ING ME?
WHO'S ...
IS IT YASHA ?
HMM .. NO
IT IS A VIBRA- TION CLOSER TO ASHURA

DIFFERENT FROM YASHA'S
WHAT KIND OF VIBRATION?
BUT... JUST LIKE YASHA, A FORCE THAT PROTECTS ASHURA
STRANGE CEILING
?
HMM
THIS PLACE ...
WELCOME TO KUSUMA-BURA, PRINCE ASHURA.

I'M THE MASTER OF KUSUMA-BURA, KING OF THE UNDER-GROUND,
I WAITED FOR YOU FOR A LONG TIME, LITTLE ASHURA-OU.
KUMARA ...
YOU TOO HAVE SEEN THE RUINS OF KUSUMA-BURA.
ONCE IT WAS ONE OF THE RICHEST CITIES IN TENKAI.
FLOWERS BLOOMED ALL YEAR ROUND; IT WAS CALLED THE FLOWER CITY. BUT...

OUR CLAN WAS DESTROY ED IN THE HOLY WAR
THREE HUNDRED YEARS AGO BY TAISHA-KUTEN'S ARMY.
WHAT REMAINS TODAY IS NOT EVEN A TENTH OF THE OLD CITY.
MOST OF KUSUMABURA, AND PEOPLE IN TENS OF THOU-SANDS, HAVE SUNK UNDER THE EARTH.
HE PEOPLE BURIED ALIVE UNDER THE EARTH.
UNDER ATTACK BY TAISHA-KUTEN'S ARMY MOTHERS AND CHIL-DREN WERE BURNT TO DEATH.
KUSUMA-BURA DISAP-PEARED FOR EVER
AFTER A FEW DAYS, PEOPLE WHO WERE STILL ALIVE CURSED TAISHA-KUTEN WITH THEIR LAST BREATH.
BUT WHEN EVEN THOSE VOICES STOPPED.
YES,

TO TAKE REVENGE FOR THE WRONGS DONE TO MY PEOPLE..
I WILL BECOME TENTEI, AND DEFEAT TAISHA-KUTEN.
LET ME GO BACK !
NOT ALL HAVE DIED. SOME REMAIN, HIDDEN IN THE DEPTHS OF THE EARTH,
WAITING FOR THE DAY OF VEN-GEANCE
I WON'T LET YOU GO SO EASILY.
I NEED YOUR POWER TO REAWAKEN SHURATO.
REAWAK EN SHURATO ?
YES, THE SWORD THAT ONLY SOMEONE OF THE ASHURA CLAN CAN WIELD.
I WILL HAVE THAT SWORD AND USE IT TO DEFEAT TAISHA-KUTEN.
BUT THE WAY THAT SWORD IS NOW, WITH A SEAL AROUND IT, I CAN NOT EVEN TOUCH IT.

IN ORDER TO OVER-THROW TAISHA-KUTEN, PLEASE GIVE ME YOUR BLOOD.
ONLY USING THE BLOOD OF PRINCE ASHURA, AND WHEN THE MOON ECLIPSE OCCURS SEVEN DAYS HENCE, CAN SHURATO BE REAWAKENED
NO! YOU CANNOT DEFEAT TAISHA-KUTEN! TAISHA-KUTEN IS FOR YASHA TO DEFEAT. WE PROMISED EACH OTHER.
ASHURA: GET OUT OF MY WAY. I SAID I WANT TO GO BACK.
AND I WILL GO BACK..
HA
ARE YOU TRYING TO PLAY TOUGH IN FRONT OF ME? DON'T BE A FOOL

YOU'RE NOT GOING TO ESCAPE.
WAH!

DANGER!
ASHURA-OU.
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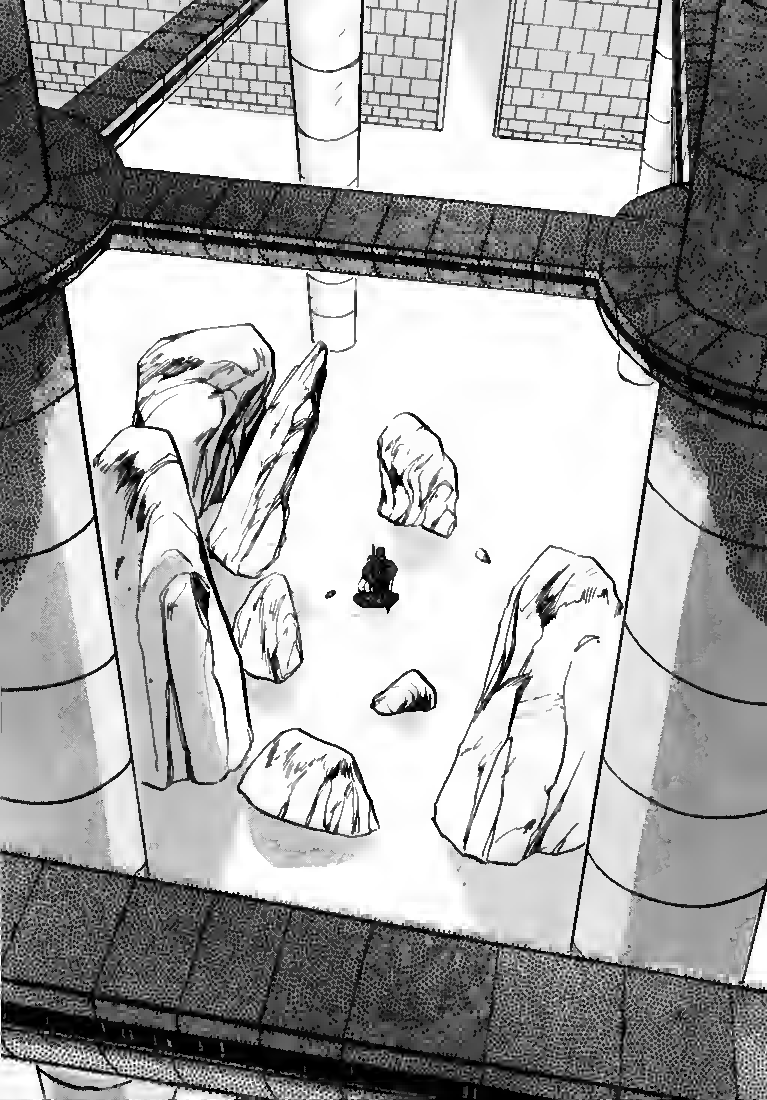
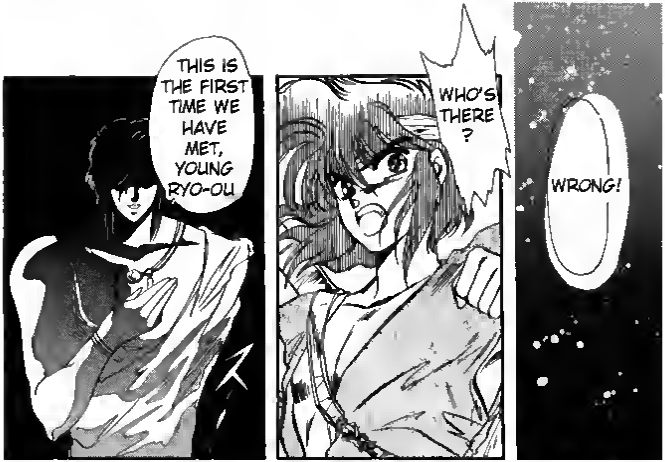
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, ASHURA-OU?
RISKING YOUR LIFE TO PROTECT THE YOUNG MASTER! KARA, YOUR FAITHFULNESS IS TRULY ADMIRABLE.
TO REAWAKEN SHURATO, THIS IMPORTANT SACRIFICE MUST NOT BE HARMED. THERE ARE ONLY SEVEN DAYS UNTIL THE ECLIPSE. ASHURA-OU SHOULD STAY IN THE UNDERGROUND CITY.
ASHURA-OU.

MY KING.
PLEASE DON'T WORRY. EVEN IF I HAVE TO RISK MY LIFE,
I WILL PROTECT YOU.



THERE'S STILL NO WAY.
EVERY-THING HAS FALLEN DOWN. THERE ISN'T ANY ENTRANCE GOING BELOW.
BUT, WHY WAS ONLY ASHURA DRAGGED DOWN? WAS THERE A TRAP HERE BEFORE?


THIS IS THE FIRST TIME WE HAVE MET, YOUNG RYO-OU.
WHO'S THERE ?
WRONG!

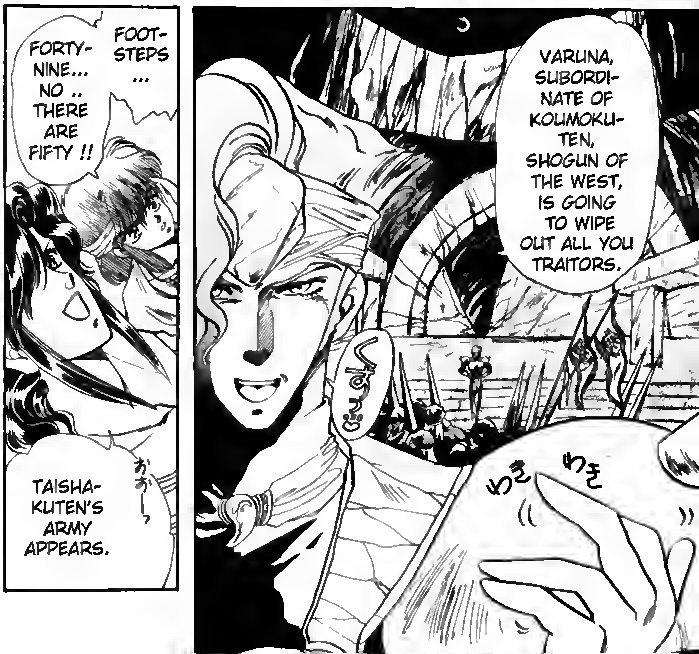
I'M KUJAKU, JUST A WANDERING PERFORMER.
YOU CAN CALL ME KU-KUN.

WHY IS IT THAT EVERYONE KNOWS ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED TO ME? ARE YOU HERE TO HELP YASHA-OU PROTECT ASHURA TOO?
NO, NO. I'M JUST HERE TO PLAY WITH HIM.

WHERE IS THE ENTRANCE TO THE LOWEST LEVEL OF KUSUMA-BURA, KUJA KU?
THE ENTRANCE TO KUSUM-ABURA CAN ONLY BE OPENED BY KUMARA-TEN.
DON'T WORRY. ASHURA IS NOT IN ANY KIND OF DANGER RIGHT NOW.
BESIDES, HE'S SUPPOSED TO BE THE GREAT ASHURA-OU.
IF ASHURA IS THE TRUE ASHURA-OU, HE WILL DEFINITLY BRING BACK SHURATO.

YASHA-OU, DON'T WORRY, THERE'S SOMEONE HELPING HIM.
HAVEN'T YOU HEARD THE PHRASE 'JADE MUST BE CARVED TO BE VALUABLE?
A LION WILL PUSH ITS CUB INTO A RAVINE, WAIT FOR IT TO CLIMB OUT, THEN PUSH IT IN AGAIN FOR TRAINING.
THAT'S JUST BULLY-ING.
YASHA IS SO SERIO US.
RIGHT, RIGHT. JUST AS IF HIS WIFE ELOPED WITH SOMEONE.
IS IT PUR SUIT ?
YASHA-OU, WHAT ARE YOU DOING IN THE GRANITE HILLS? YOU ARE SUCH AN IDIOT.

GUARD ALL THE EXITS.
DON'T EVEN LET A FLY THROUGH.


FOOT-STEPS ...
FORTY-NINE... NO .. THERE ARE FIFTY !!
TAISHA-KUTEN'S ARMY APPEARS.
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VARUNA, SUBORDI-NATE OF KOUMOKU-TEN, SHOGUN OF THE WEST, IS GOING TO WIPE OUT ALL YOU TRAITORS.
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YASHA-OU, IT'S THE PURSUING ARMY OF TAISHA-KUTEN
WHO ARE THEY UNDER?
FROM THE LOOK OF THE BANNERS... THEY'RE UNDER KOUMOKU-TEN ALTO-GETHER FIFTY-TWO PEOPLE
WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO? FACE THEIR ATTACK HERE, OR MAKE YOUR ESCAPE?
ASHURA IS STILL HERE.
KUJAKU, YOU SAID THAT IF ASHURA IS THE REAL ASHURA-OU, HE WILL COME BACK?
IF ASHURA IS REALLY KING...
BUT, ASHURA IS SO YOUNG.
HE'S THREE HUNDRED YEARS OLD ALREADY.

THEN I'LL WATCH THE BATTLE WITH ALL MY MIGHT!!
I'LL HELP TOO.
FIFTY OR A HUNDRED, LET THEM COME. MY HANDS ARE GETTING ITCHY.
HEY, YASHA -OU,
WHY ARE YOU SO PROTECTIVE TOWARDS ASHURA?
IS IT TO GATHER TOGETHER THE SIX STARS AND OVER-THROW TAISHA-KUTEN,
OR IS IT...

ASHU RA-OU,
IS THERE SOME-THING THAT DIS-PLEASES YOU?
A LOT THINGS DIS-PLEASE ME.
LET ME GO TO LOOK FOR YASHA.

PLEASE WAIT A LITTLE LONGER.
I, KARA, WILL TAKE YOU AND SHURATO BACK TO WHERE YOU WERE.
YOU BELONG TO KUMARA-TEN. I DON'T BELIEVE YOU..
ASHURA CLAN'S MIKO WHO ONCE PER-FORMED THE SACRI-FICES.
I USED TO SERVE ASHURA -OU.
MIKO OF ASHURA CLAN. BESIDES MYSELF THERE'S STILL SOMEONE ALIVE FROM THE ASHURA CLAN

YES, MY LORD.
TELL ME ABOUT IT.
YOU KNOW ABOUT THE ASHURA CLAN.
THEN ... THEN ..
ASHURA CLAN IS THE TRIBE THAT CONTROLS TENKAI'S LIGHT, ILLUSIONS, AND FLAME.
LEADING THE TWELVE HOLY WARRIORS, ASHURA-OU, LEADER OF THE FOUR LORDS OF HEAVEN, IS THE GUARDIAN GOD OF WAR FOR TENKAI AND TENTEI.

OH, OH, KARA
WHAT WAS ASHURA'S FATHER LIKE?
ASHURA-OU WAS VERY NOBLE, AND VERY HANDSOME, AND VERY POWERFUL
HE WAS A SPLENDID FATHER
THEN, WELL,
WHAT IS IT?
AND ASHURA'S MOTHER?
ASHURA-JOU AND TENKAI'S ZENMI-JOU FORM A PAIR, JUST LIKE REFLECTIONS IN WATER.
WE LIVED IN THAT INCONCEIVABLE WATER.
UNDER THE WATER, ONLY PEOPLE OF ASHURA CLAN AND THOSE GRANTED PERMISSION COULD ENTER.

MY MOTHER, WHAT WAS SHE LIKE, KARA?
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YOU... YOUR MOTHER,
VERY...VERY CLEVER, AND VERY CHARMING...
SHE COULD DO EVERYTHING WELL.
THE TWO OF US WERE CHOSEN TO BE ASHURA CLAN'S MIKOS.
FOR EACH GENERATION, THE MIKOS OF THE ASHURA CLAN ARE CHOSEN FROM AMONG MANKIND.
SHE WAS MY TWIN SISTER, NAMED SASHI.

JUST LIKE A DREAM.
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING, KARA?
TO BE CHOSEN TO BECOME ASHURA CLAN'S MIKO.
ONLY SOMEONE WITH THE STRONGEST POWER COULD BECOME MIKO.
ONLY YOU WOULD SAY THAT.
TO BE ABLE TO SERVE ASHURA-OU IS ALREADY ENVIABLE.
FOR THE MIKO TO ENJOY THE SAME PRIVILEDGES AS A GOD, IS JUST AS IT SHOULD BE.
BESIDES, TO BECOME A MIKO IS TO ENJOY THE SAME LONG LIFE AS THE GODS.
I'M NOT LIKE YOU.
OLDER SISTER, I'M NOT LIKE YOU, WHO CAN BE SATISFIED WITH BEING A MIKO OF THE ASHURA CLAN

NOT JUST HUMANS, BUT THE GODS OF TENKA! TOO. EVERYONE IN THE WORLD....
MY WISH IS TO STAND ABOVE ALL MEN.
DO YOU KNOW WHAT YOU'RE SAYING? SASH! YOU'RE ONLY HUMAN BUT YOU HAVE DESIRES LIKE THAT. IT'S HORRIFYING
I WANT THEM TO KNEEL AT MY FEET.
THE SAME LIFESPAN AS A GOD, AND THE SAME POWER.
ASHURA-OU ALREADY GAVE ME THIS KIND OF POWER.
OLDER SISTER, YOU'RE THE ONE WHO DOESN'T UNDER-STAND.

BEAUTIFUL AND STRONG, SASHI MADE OTHERS AFRAID. ALTHOUGH WE WERE TWINS, OUR CHARACTERS WERE COMPLETELY DIFFERENT.
IT WAS A GIFT TO ME FROM FROM ASHURA-OU.
PLEASE TAKE CARE OF IT, KARA.
OH, IT'S SO CUTE
SASHI, NEAR ACHIEVING HER WISH TO BECOME ASHURA-OU'S BRIDE.
I'M VERY BUSY. I NEED SOMEONE WITH THE TIME TAKE CARE OF IT.
BUT WHY? THE KING GAVE IT ESPE-CIALLY TO YOU...

AH
IT'S MY WEDDING GOWN.
LOOK,
IT'S CAUGHT IN MY DRESS.
THIS BIRD IS SO ANNOY-ING!!
SHASHI, STOP!

CLEAN IT UP FOR ME.
AFTER SHASHI MARRIED ASHURA-OU,
SHE SOON BECAME PREGNANT.
THAT WAS YOU.
BUT DURING THE HOLY WAR THREE HUNDRED YEARS AGO,

GO, GUARDIAN BEAST.
SHA SHI!
WHERE ARE YOU GOING?
THIS IS THE MOST DANGEROUS TIME FOR TENKAI, BUT YOU,
AS THE ROYAL CONSORT, WHERE ARE YOU GOING?
YOU ARE SO STUPID, KARA. IF NOT AT A TIME LIKE THIS, HOW COULD I REALIZE MY WISH?
I'M GOING.

NO, YOU CAN'T GO TO TAISHA-KUTEN.
YOU CAN'T BETRAY TENTEI AND THE ASHURA CLAN.
OH, YOU KNOW EVERY-THING.
IF YOU WANT TO SEE HIM SO MUCH, THEN PROMISE ME THAT IT WILL BE FOR THE LAST TIME.
THE WAY THE FIGHTING IS GOING, EVEN IF TAISHA-KUTEN FIGHTS FOR ANOTHER HUNDRED YEARS HE WON'T WIN
THAT'S TRUE. IF THINGS CONTINUE THIS WAY..
BUT, IF I HELP HIM, CONQUERING TENKAI WOULD BE CHILD'S PLAY. I KNOW EVERYTHING ABOUT THE ASHURA CLAN
THE WEAKNESS OF ASHURA'S STRATEGIES, THEIR MILITARY STRENGTH AND CAPABILITIES I KNOW THEM LIKE I KNOW MY OWN FACE
IT DOESN'T EVEN HAVE TO BE TAISHA-KUTEN,
JUST SOMEONE WHO WANTS TO BE EMPEROR.

THE KING NEVER CARED FOR ME.
HE JUST WANTED AN HEIR.
IT'S MUCH BETTER TO BE THE WIFE OF THE EMPEROR OF TENKAI THAN THE WIFE OF THE GOD OF WAR.
DON'T YOU LOVE ASHURA-OU?
WHAT ABOUT THE CHILD IN YOUR WOMB? HE'S ASHURA-OU'S CHILD!
FROM NOW ON HE'S GOING TO BECOME MY BAGGAGE.
THEREFORE, ONE DAY HE'LL BE LIKE THAT LITTLE BIRD.

I'LL KILL HIM WITH MY OWN HANDS.
OH KARA !
WHAT HAPPENED TO MY MOTHER DURING THE HOLY WAR?
BUT, YOUR MOTHER EXPECTED YOU FOR A LONG TIME BEFORE SHE GAVE BIRTH TO YOU.
OH, THAT.
BECAUSE OF CERTAIN REASONS, YOUR MOTHER COULDN'T RAISE YOU HERSELF.
REALLY?

KUMARA-TEN IS LOOKING FOR YOU. PLEASE COME QUICKLY.
SHE REALLY KNOWS HOW TO AVOID WORK.
KARA, HERE YOU ARE.
YOUR VEN-ER-ANCE
HE WAS A GOOD MAN.
BUT BECAUSE OF HIS HATE FOR TAISHA-KUTEN,
HIS CHAR-ACTER HAS BECOME TWISTED. HE REALLY HAS A KIND SOUL.
DO YOU LOVE HIM?
WHAT'S SO GREAT ABOUT KUMARA ?
DON'T GO. I HATE KUMARA THE MOST.
I'M ABOUT TO HAVE A BABY.
I'M CARRY-ING KUMARA-TEN'S CHILD.

REALLY? THAT'S GREAT! HOW DID YOU KNOW YOU HAVE A CHILD ?
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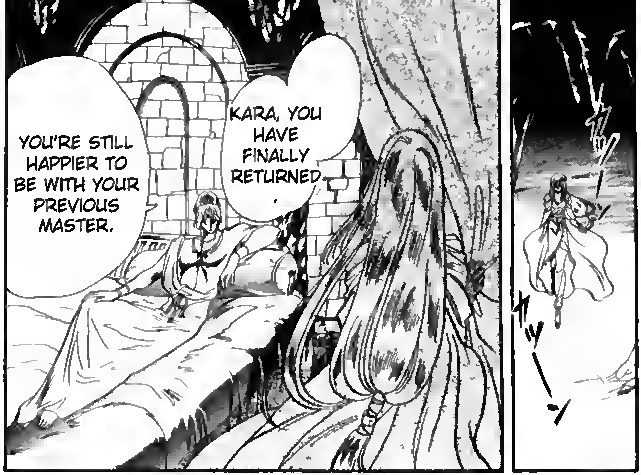
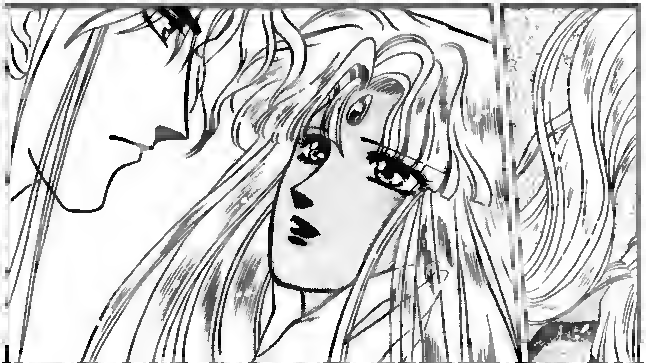
THIS CHILD CAN'T COME INTO THE WORLD.
NO ONE WANTS HIM TO COME INTO THIS WORLD.
HOW CAN YOU SAY THAT? THAT'S TOO MUCH.
POOR THING.

SHE SAID I'M NOT AN UNWANTED CHILD
GIGE! SAID I'M NOT A CHILD THAT NO ONE WANTS.
IT WOULD BE SO MUCH BETTER IF YOU HAD NEVER BEEN.
A CHILD THAT NO ONE WANTS IS SO SAD.
IF NO ONE WANTS HIM, HE CAN'T LIVE.


KARA, YOU HAVE FINALLY RETURNED.
YOU'RE STILL HAPPIER TO BE WITH YOUR PREVIOUS MASTER.

AH
YOU HAVE EVEN FORGOTTEN THE TIME.



YOU LOOK UNHAPPY. ARE YOU NOT FEELING WELL?
WERE YOU WORRIED ABOUT ME?
WHO... WHO WOULD WORRY ABOUT YOU?
I'M JUST WORRIED ABOUT THE CHILD INSIDE YOU.

KUMA RA-TEN....
WHO WOULD WORRY ABOUT YOU?
BECAUSE HE WILL BE THE LORD OF THIS UNDER-GROUND CITY.
KARA SAID THAT WHEN MOMMY GAVE BIRTH TO ME, SHE WAS VERY HAPPY.
I WAS NEVER AWAY FROM YASHA FOR SO LONG. WHAT IS YASHA DOING NOW?
YASHA, I MISS YOU.
ASHURA IS NOT A CHILD NO ONE WANTS.

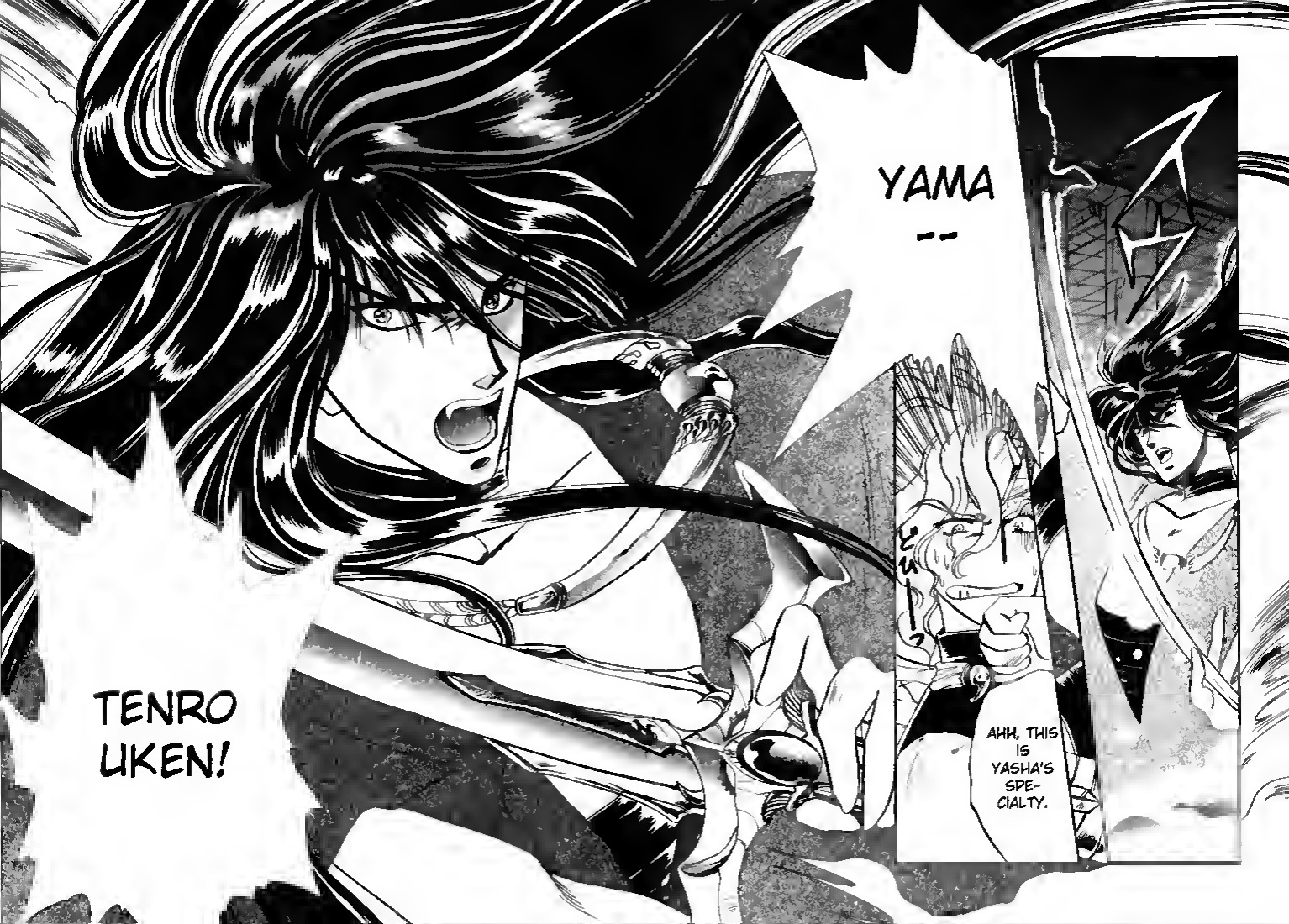
HA HA HA...
DEALING WITH TRAITORS LIKE YOU DOESN'T REQUIRE THE PRESENCE OF THE GREAT GENERAL KOUMOKU-TEN.
I WILL REMOVE YOUR HEADS RIGHT NOW AND RIGHT HERE.

AH, SO YOU'RE VARUNA.
WELL, ISN'T THIS THE HEIR OF RYO-OU? HAVE YOU BECOME A TRAITOR TOO?
IF EVEN THE RYO CLAN IS REBELLING, I'LL JUST GET RID OF YOU FIRST.
THIS WAY, I CAN BECOME THE WARLORD OF THE WEST.
DO YOU WANT TO REPLACE RYO-OU THE WARLORD OF THE WEST?
DO YOU REALLY DARE?! YOU BASTARD!
HA, TALK. YASHA-OU, WHERE DID YOU HIDE ASHURA-CLAN'S LITTLE BRAT?
I'LL KILL YOU FIRST
THEN I'LL SEARCH HIM OUT AND TORTURE HIM. AFTERWARDS, I'LL KILL HIM. YOU COULDN'T EVEN SAVE THE CHILDREN OF YOUR OWN CLAN. AND STILL YOU'RE CALLED THE STRONGEST WARLORD IN TENKAI. YOU'RE USELESS.
SHUT YOUR MOUTH.

WHAT IS THAT? THE CHI OF DEATH.
YASHA-OU'S EYES ARE TURNING A DEEP RED.

OH, BRAVO, BRAVO! ♡
YASHA REALLY LOOKS MAD. HIS EYES ARE FILLED WITH THE KILLING RAGE. NOW THERE'S GOING TO BE A GREAT SHOW.
IF YOU WANT THE HEAD OF YASHA-OU, WARLORD OF THE NORTH,
COME AND GET IT!
OF COURSE. DON'T EVEN THINK OF TOUCHING A HAIR ON ASHURA'S HEAD.

WHAT IS THAT ? THE CHI OF DEATH
DON'T, DON'T BE AFRAID.
I CAN'T MOVE
THAT IS
THE POWER OF YASHA-OU, DEMON LORD, NAMED THE STRONGEST AMONG THE WARLORDS PROTECTING THE BORDER OF TENKAI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AHH, THIS
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AHHH....
WOW, SO POW-ER-FUL.
YOU, YOU BAST ARD.

I'M GOING TO KILL YASHA-OU, AND THEN I'LL DEAL WITH ASHURA-OU'S LITTLE BRAT.
YOU, GO AND KILL THE LITTLE BRAT RYO-OU, AND THAT BITCH.
YASHA-OU, I WILL PAY YOU BACK WITH INTEREST.
YOU DARE TO SAY THAT TOO!?
DON'T KEEP ON SAYING ASHURA THIS, ASHURA THAT. YOU'LL MAKE YASHA-OU REALLY MAD.

YASHA-OU, DON'T BE SO POLITE. KILL THEM !!!
RYO-OU, RYO-OU
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WHO'S A LITTLE BRAT!
YOU'RE DEAD
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I'LL DEAL WITH THESE CREATURES. YOU GO AND GET VARUNA'S HEAD, AND BRING IT BACK TO ME FOR A GIFT.
RYO -OU.
THAT DOESN'T SOUND LIKE SOME-THING HEROES SHOULD SAY,.
COME ON, YASHA-OU.

COME ON, YOU BUNCH OF RATS. I'M USING RYUUGA-TOU TO KILL YOU. YOU SHOULD FEEL HONORED.

LITTLE BOY, THAT SWORD IS JUST PRETTY TO LOOK AT. IT DOESN'T EVEN HAVE AN EDGE.
SOMETHING THAT DULL, WHAT CAN IT CUT? THIS IS SUCH A JOKE.
OH IS IT REALLY DULL? WANNA TRY IT? DON'T BEG FOR MERCY LATER.
I'LL LET YOU HAVE A PRETTY GOOD DEATH.
SOUGE-PPA!

HAJA
KAI-
RYUU
HA!

AHHH

STRONGEST IN TENKAI, THE YASHA CLAN.
I'M SO TIRED OF HEARING IT. JUST A BUNCH OF COUNTRY BUMPKINS THAT FOUGHT IN THE NORTHERN BACKWATERS.
SO, I CAN BE A WARLORD TOO.
HMM, YASHA-OU?
NOW, I KILL YOU.

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HE TOOK IT WITH ONE HAND
HOW COULD IT BE POSSI-BLE?
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HAVE YOU USED UP EVERY-THING?
RUDENESS TO MY ADOPTED CHILD AND MY PEOPLE.
THIS TIME YOU WILL TRULY PAY WITH YOU LIFE.
HMMM..
NOW, EVERYONE IN TENKAI WILL KNOW,
I'M NOT A VERY GENER-OUS PERSON.
YOU'RE THE WORST KIND OF KING.

YOU CAUSED ALL YOUR CLAN TO BE DESTROYED.
IN ORDER TO SAVE ASHURA,
O TO HELL WITH THAT LITTLE RAT.
ASHURA, ASHURA,
I, VARUNA,
IS THAT A NAME TO BE UTTERED BY A PIECE OF DIRT LIKE YOU?
WILL SEND YOU THERE.

WHAT IS THAT?
WA H!
MEI-OU HAYOU-ZAN!

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